

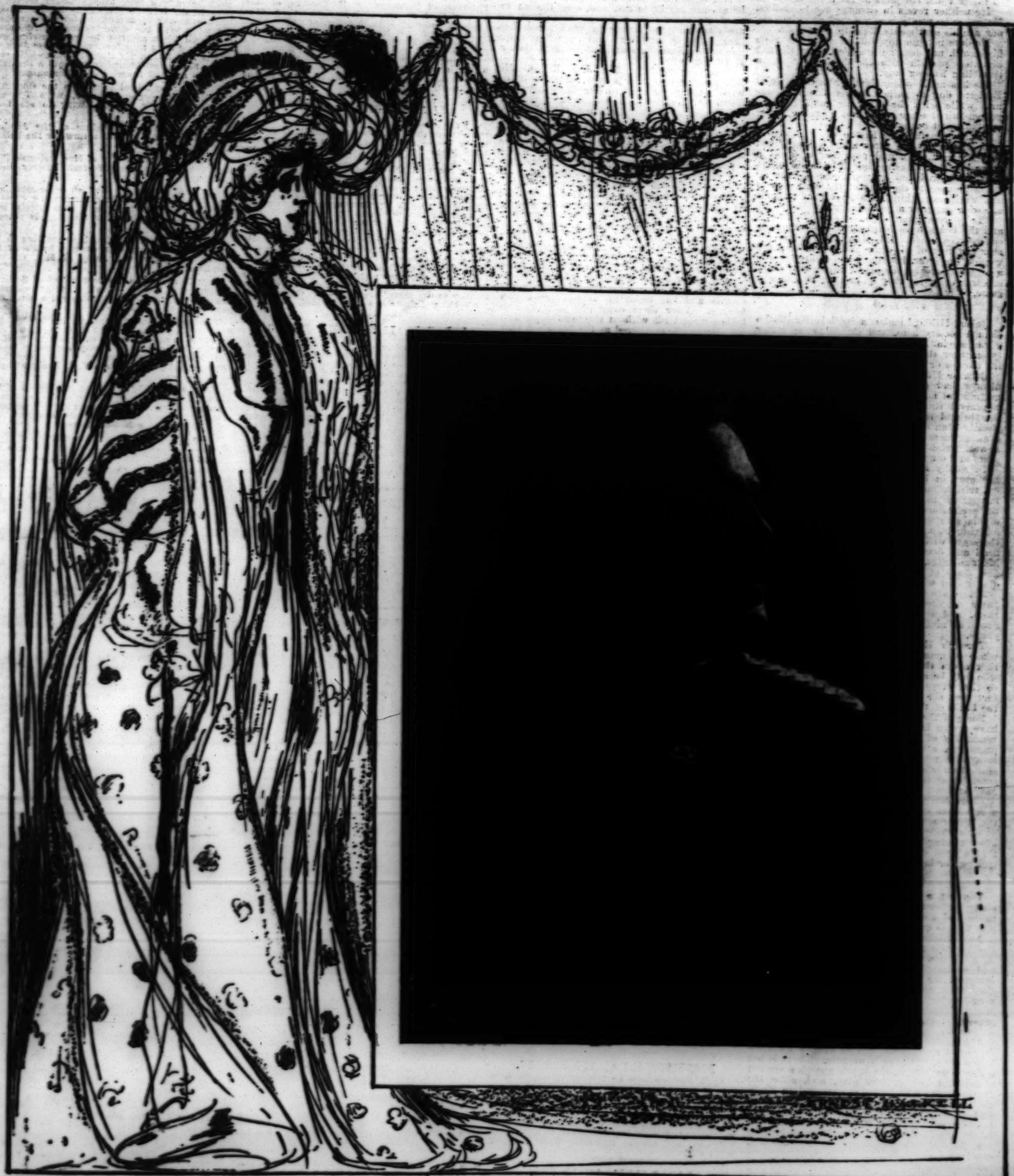
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The Matinee Girl



Jim Blasco is one of the healthiest and wholesome matinee heroes that we have had to throw violet bouquets at for many a season. He neither revels in carriage nor in clothes. He wears no pretty lace-trimmed shirt bosoms, nor are his sentiments done up in sachets.

He does not pin any villain of frothie on his sword, nor does he breathe heroic English accents panted into the back hair of a trembling leading lady.

He has no Newfoundland or faithful Saint Bernard dog to gather to his side with one arm while with the other he encircles some pale-faced stage child and sings to her of matines and betrothals.

On the contrary, he has to wear singularly unbecoming clothes, after many ruggedly put together matines, and now and then lift a stage boy that looks as though he might weigh a good hundred and forty pounds. In the interim he goes to the back of the engine room and works some kind of a lever that reminds one of a pump or a patient charm.

There were great days on the Mississippi, and the boats were faithfully and wonderfully constructed craft. But Jim Blasco was the star engineer of his time and when his hand was on the lever, his foot on the throttle and a singer "out" on the safety valve, why every one was safe, for they knew that Blasco was safe.

Robert Hilliard makes a much better Blasco than a society hero, and shines to far better advantage in the backyards of the Film Company engineer than he would in green-metal evening clothes or a fluffy little frill.

However, Hilliard wears his clothes well and always has a beautiful buttonhole and a magnificient manner of the star, manages as a general thing concluded that this was his line behind the footlights. So they made a Bawdy Man of him and insisted on his doing drawing-room stunts and showing off the very newest wrinkles in pantomime, English waistcoats and dinner coats.

In reality he is a genuine Remington type, not only in looks but in temperamental particularities, mannerisms and voice. He never has shown to such picturesque advantage on the professional stage as in the good old days of his amateur startup, when he used to do a flying leap from the floor to the center of the stage with a red pencil bound about his head and demanded free life and free air of his audience, who became warmed up to a fine stage of enthusiasm that Hilliard in a dinner coat was never known to waken.

Actors are continually being hampered with parts allotted to them—clowns allotted to them, and continuions that they utter with about as much convincing force as a graphophone.

Through three and sometimes four acts whole companies of intelligent looking actors rant about the deadly beauty of the heroine, who may be anything but beautiful—so much so that every time the allusion is made the fact that she is not beautiful is rubbed into the brain of the audience.

Some of the cleverest men on the stage who have grown famous in the past through their renditions of roles fitted to them by artistic managers, are made nothing short of ridiculous with parts, costumes and speeches that suit them about as well as a Millie James specialty at the Children's Theatre would suit Max Irvin.

Therefore, when you see an actor fitted with a role that suits even as well as Blasco fits the broker-actor now working the lever of the *Pavlova Ball* on Fourteenth Street, you feel like uttering tremendous cheers in the hope that a good example may set other managers looking for better fits for their stars.

You get a good-looking actor in an especially well-made array of traps from a good tailor and a consciousness will creep over him that this is quite enough to give the audience.

Any number of the women actors are carried by their gowns and get to depend on them. A good gown, a somewhat startling accent and a drawing-room manner, and they are equipped for the dramatic field—at least, so they think and so, sometimes, their managers seem to think. But, after a stage of this sort of play, it becomes so wearisome and boring and superficial, that one longs for a circus, Buffalo Bill or something with whoops in it.

Jim Blasco is what one might call an old-fashioned melodrama, but in reality its absolute simplicity makes it artistic. There is not a line of rant in it, the heroic speeches are not drawn out into gallery play, and, after the first act, you who have been steeped in Frohmann's *Pavlova*, Mansfieldian Shakespeare and some of the recent weird things we have been given with the tag of German adaptation to them, will find yourselves drawing in deep breaths of fresh Fourteenth Street air and wondering why it is.

Once in a while we get these drifts of artistic simplicity—sometimes in a play and sometimes in an actor. Miss Fay Davis in *Inprudence* was one of the charming recent expositions of apparently unstudied grace of attitude and expression, of voice and smile. When she held her hands out to the lover of

the play she gave you the impression that she was giving him her hands and wasn't caring a hang what the audience thought of it.

Now that Hilliard has emerged from the dress-coated school of stage heroes, purpously beautiful and not allowed to forget it by the playwright, the costumer or the stage-manager, we may hope to see him in something Remingtonesque and natural, a Remon's Jolly boy, holding up a stage coach in a cloak and mask, or a reformed cowboy à la Clay in *Soldiers of Fortune*.

Hilliard could probably give us a better Clay than Edmon did—for artist as Edmon is, he didn't look the part. In make-up he gave us C. D. Gibson's hero foreshortened, rather than Davis' or his own conception.

On the other hand, if you give the role of some decent, respectable citizen, without any trace of wild Indian in him, to Hilliard he would prove, and has proved in the past, rather disappointing, while Edmon is covered with medals from his performances in just this line.

It was not until Remington began to illustrate Richard Harding Davis' heroes that we commenced to understand that they might be real live men after all. Remington's pictures have breath in their nostrils and fire in their eyes—they are something more than line and broad margin, and they have no nobly style to deceive you.

Anything that Remington illustrates Hilliard can probably play better than any actor of the day, for he looks the part and probably feels it under his ornate waistcoats, otherwise we should have had some touch of his Blasco earnestness in the dressy roles he has always been called upon to play.

But separate him from his good clothes and he at once begins to act, and, even though we must go to Fourteenth Street to see him, we are glad that the plunge in Wall Street has taught him in some way that pure hearts are more than Knox hats and simple faith than a Budd tie.

Broadway might sniff at Jim Blasco. He is somewhat too virile a type for those of us who have grown used to our fluffy heroes—virile but never vulgar.

We have seen the fluffy hero rise to the apex of his popularity and gradually relapse to a condition of box-office greatness and before his fashions across the dramatic camera there was what was called the "dress-coat actor," whose claim to distinction lay principally in his ability to wear the difficult masculine garb of evening as though he were a tailor's dummy.

The dress-coat actor was created in the time of heavy-weight leading ladies, who, if they should faint in the arms of a modern matinee hero, would feel him over like a ninepin.

But the dress-coat actor chosen as a "support" had to have girth and muscles like iron. All the physical attributes of a prize fighter had to be hidden beneath his attire. He must be a shoulder hitter as well as a lover. However, this type has died out just as the hippy chorus girl has departed to some unknown bourn. After them came the slim leading ladies—red birds without the toast—and men stars as gentle mannered as the boudoirs that preceded them were rude.

And now it is possible that something new and Remingtonesque will be the next fashion and the actor will be secondary to the man he is trying to create.

Molds of fashion and of form are all right where they belong, but, despite Mrs. Osborne's well-meaning effort to make of *Theopha* a clothes horse upon which to showatty modish, we must refuse to stand for any such idea.

Somehow I fancied that Hilliard would do Blasco in knickers and golf stockings and some new and fancy silk and linen mixture in the way of a handkerchief. I imagined him holding his comic agin' the bank with a putter, and talking Pike County with broad a's and dropped g's.

But it's Blasco that is in Fourteenth Street, and a Blasco that, despite a mature Little Breeches and a Dockdragger Banty Tim, is more full of thrills than a lifetime of Hilliards could command.

THE MATINEE GIRL.

EAGLES' BENEFIT BREAKS RECORD.

The recent benefit performance of the Eagles, held at the New York Theatre, broke all records of such affairs, netting over \$14,000. Gallery seats brought as high as \$30, and \$500 was paid for a box. Almost without exception the most prominent theatrical people in New York either participated or attended. Lillian Russell, assisted by the entire Weber and Fields chorus, was the feature of the performance. Among those who participated were Ned Goodwin, Matine Elliott, Charles Ross, Mabel Pequot, Sam Bernard, Fay Templeton, Weber and Fields, Eddie Collier, Dan McAvoy, Eddie Fay, John T. Kelly, James T. Powers, the Judge Family, Edna Wallace Hopper, Jerome Dykes, Gus Thatcher, Charles Bishop, Peter J. Dally, Harry Kelly, George Fuller Golden, Louis Wesley, Billy Gould, Joe Cawthorne, Robert Hilliard, Stanley Hawkins, Raymond Teal, Hugh Chilvers, Al. Wilson, George Edwards, George Bohan, and many another well-known actor and actress.

TO SUCCEED GRETA GREEN.

On Saturday night Greta Green, at the Madison Square Theatre, will be withdrawn. In its stead Manager Harry B. Harris will produce The Earl of Pawtucket, a new play by Augustus Thomas. Elizabeth Tyree will appear in the new piece, the title-role of which is to be played by Lawrence D'Orcay. At the close of the run it is said that Mr. Harris will again organize Greta Green, with Miss Tyree, for a tour of the large cities. The first performance of The Earl of Pawtucket will, it is expected, be given on Feb. 2.

FRED G. LATHAM RESIGNS.

At the close of the season Fred G. Latham, who has been for four years the manager of the Maurice Gran Opera company, will sever his connection with that organization. As his reason for so doing Mr. Latham states that he is influenced solely by a desire to be rid, for a time at any rate, of the cares and responsibilities of theatrical management, and when the season is over he will go to Australia, where his wife, a prominent English actress, is now playing.

PROFESSIONALS ATTEND HAMLET.

R. H. Sothers gave on Tuesday a special matinee of Hamlet at which many prominent people were present. Among these were Julia Marlowe, Blanche Bates, Bijou Fernandes, Lotta Lindholm, Hyperta Pryne, Mrs. Kirke La Shelle, Mrs. Frank McKee, May Robson, Charles Richman, E. M. Holland, Robert Harries, Paul Kester, Fritz Williams, and several members of the Twelfth Night Club.

LAMBS CLUB'S BURLESQUE.

After the theatres had closed their doors on Tuesday night the members of the Lambs Club gamboled through a burlesque of Mr. Pickwick, in which De Wolf Hopper and Digby Bell are now appearing at the Herald Square Theatre.

HAROLD VICTOR PHASKEY.

A bandmaster who comes and goes, but who won him an enviable reputation not only in England, but also in America, is Harold Victor Phaskey. His first visit to this country was in 1895, when he was engaged as conductor of the Royal Philharmonic Band, which was conducted by George V. Morris, private band conductor of the Duke of Connaught, the Earl of Warwick, and Lord Kenyon. On his return to America a large testimonial was tendered him, the affair being under the patronage of the Duke of Westminister, the Earl and Countess of Warwick, and Lord Kenyon. Mr. Phaskey was presented with a medal and citation of gold. Following his first New York appearance at the Waldorf-Astoria, later Mr. Phaskey was seen at the Herald Square Theatre, and on both occasions he was exceptionally well received. During the coming summer Mr. Phaskey, who is now a citizen of the United States, will tour with his British Guards Band the principal resorts of the country.

NORTHWESTERN MANAGERS ORGANIZE.

The managers of a large number of theatres in Northern Wisconsin, Michigan, and Northern Minnesota met last week in Minneapolis and organized the Northwestern Managers' Association. The aim of the association will be to improve the business of the theatres represented by securing a better grade of attractions and popular prices production.

C. D. Marshall, of Duluth, is the President and Charles T. Grant, of Minneapolis, is Vice-President. The present members of the organization are: P. H. Miller, of Pond du Lac; C. E. Case, of Winona; John Williams, of Duluth; F. M. Paterson, of Duluth; J. D. Butler, of Minneapolis; C. A. Johnson, of Duluth; J. D. Crandall, of Duluth; A. J. Baugh, of Iron Mountain; W. J. Karriger, of Hancock; W. R. Scott, of Saint Paul, and Charles Z. Gross, of Minneapolis.

The organization is beginning earnest efforts which it expects will result in securing the cooperation of every representative house in the Northwest.

MAURICE GRAU TO RETIRE.

At the close of this season Maurice Grau will retire from the management of the Metropolitan Opera House and will go to his summer home near Paris for a rest of at any rate twelve months.

For the past thirty years Mr. Grau has been ever prominent as an impresario, but now his nervous system is so shattered that his physicians declare that a complete rest is absolutely essential. And, though Mr. Grau states that in a year or more he may return to his former field, it is doubtful if he will ever again take an active part in the production of grand opera.

Mr. Grau's five-year lease of the Opera House expires this Spring, and as yet the directors of the company have not discussed further action. It is rumored that possibly Walter Damrosch or Jean De Reszke may undertake the management of the Metropolitan Opera House and conduct matters in the same line as has Mr. Grau, but as yet nothing definite has been decided.

UNDEA REALISM IN JIM BLASCO.

Beneath the stage of the Fourteenth Street Theatre is a reservoir which, in the flood scene of Jim Blasco, receives the turbulent waters of the Mississippi as they swirl through the broken levee. Miss White, who plays Mrs. Blasco, was standing on the banks of the Mississippi at Tuesday evening's performance when suddenly she lost her balance and with a terrified scream fell into the reservoir, while the audience, appreciating the realism of her act, loudly applauded. Robert Hilliard, who was in the wings when the accident occurred, hurried to Miss White's aid and rescued her from the torrent. The curtain was ring down while they changed their clothes and then it was raised again and the performance went on.

CHILD ACTRESS DIES OF BURNS.

Baby Josephine, a winsome seven-year-old actress, the only child of the eldest of the Payton sisters, who was frightfully burned on Jan. 12 while the company was playing at Chattanooga, Tenn., and died on the following morning, was a clever and dainty little actress and was well known throughout the country, for she had played in Canada, Mexico, nearly every State in the Union, and had made seven trips along the Pacific Coast.

GUSTAV WEIL ARRESTED.

On a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses, Gustav Weil, of 247 West Twenty-eighth Street, who claims to be a theatrical manager, was last week arraigned in the Jefferson Market Court. The complainants, May Douglas and Adelinde Melba, allege that Weil gave them lessons in acting with the understanding that he would secure them engagements and advertising, which, they say, he has not done. Weil was held for further examination.

A PRINCESS OF KENSINGTON.

A Princess of Kensington, which was given its first performance in London on Thursday night, is said to have met with instantaneous success. The piece is by Basil Hood and Edward German and was produced at the Savoy Theatre. Constance Dreyer, an American girl, assumed the leading role and won the highest favor. The English papers prophecy that she will be the most popular light opera singer since the days of Gilbert and Sullivan.

FOR SWORD OR SONG.

A very bewildering production, entitled For Sword or Song, was last week produced in London and it seems to nonplus the critics. It is a decided novelty in theatrical productions, the dialogue being, in a way, verification, and the scenes confusing. The piece was written by Robert Legge, Louis Calvert, and Raymond Rose, Julia Neilson, Fred Terry and Louis Calvert playing the principal roles.

TO FIX SIZE OF DRESSING ROOMS.

A bill to regulate the size of dressing-rooms was last week introduced at Albany by Assemblyman Hinson. The measure provides that the rooms shall each be eight feet wide, ten feet long and nine feet high, and that the gas jets shall be properly screened. The bill provides that factory inspectors are to see that the law is enforced.

BITTEN BY A PIG.

Julia Martin, a chorus girl in the When Johnny Comes Marching Home company, was on Thursday night bitten by a pig, a property of the play. Blood poisoning has set in and Miss Martin has been compelled to retire from the play. She has been trying formalin as a cure.

PERFORMANCE STOPPED BY INJUNCTION.

Thursday's performance at New Britain, Conn., of The Girl in Blue, was stopped by injunction, the contention being over the appearance of Miss De Luca, whom the city authorities had forbidden to play.

REFLECTIONS



Photo 10 CHILDING, Boston.

Isotta Jewel, whose portrait appears above, is a young actress not yet out of her teens, and still she has achieved a degree of success that speaks for her ability and character. Already she has appeared in several Shakespearean roles; in fact, she was the youngest actress that ever played Cleo, it is said. And in every part her work has shown more than ordinary merit. At present she is with the Castle Square Theatre Stock company of Boston, whose patrons she is charming with her clever acting and delightful personality. In addition to her theatrical work Miss Jewel finds time for improving employment, and is well known for many characteristic qualities. She is fast becoming not only a theatrical but also a social favorite with Bostonians.

Fifty Sunday-school boys from the Church of the Holy Innocents, Hoboken, were Thursday night brought by Father Ewing to see Louis Mann in The Consul.

After the run of Florestina at the Academy The Ninety and Nine will return for the balance of the season.

Dorothy Scott, formerly of Mrs. Osborn's Playhouse, has joined the Western Liberty Belles company.

W. L. Abington, the English actor who is to play in Anna Bingham's company, arrived in New York Friday night and immediately went to Philadelphia, where the company is rehearsing.

Harry Leighton, who has been starring in Ruth of Hearts, has been engaged by Frank Lee Short for Romeo and Juliet at Mrs. Osborn's Playhouse.

Matt Nasher, who has been ahead of Sullivan, Harris and Wood's Fatal Wedding company, has returned to New York to accept a permanent position in the home office.

The Boston Bank Officers' Association will produce on Feb. 2 the musical extravaganza, Baron Nanceau, written for the organization by R. A. Barnet, the creator of many successful pieces. The production will run for a week, and J. D. Etting, H. D. Gardner, and C. C. Dickey will play leading roles.

Thomas G. Loth, proprietor of a circuit of Virginia theatres, has appointed A. S. Dunbar manager of the circuit. Corlin Shields, formerly manager of the Newport News Academy, will have charge of the Norfolk house.

George Kingsbury, general manager for Henry Savage, has gone West to attend the early performances of Adele Peggy from Paris.

Albert W. Taylor is playing Sir Benjamin Backbite in The School for Scandal with William Owen's company.

Edith Millward is playing the role of Minnie in The Strollers company, the part originated by Marie George.

It is rumored that a theatre may be erected on the site of the William M. Evarts mansion, at Second Avenue and Fourteenth Street.

Robert B. Richards and Louise Josephs were recently married at Yucca City, Mo.

Harry G. Keenan has resigned as leading juvenile of the Grand Opera House Stock company of Philadelphia, and will go on the road.

E. L. Snader has resigned from the Winchester company and will originate the leading heavy rôle in Spencer and Aborn's new production of Heart's Adrift.

Mrs. Brown Potter, at a recent meeting of the National Sunday League at Queen's Hall, London, gave a recitation of "Him's Prayer" to

entertained by a big party for Durst's Lodge, on Oct. 24, in honor of Mrs. Grammer, of New York, chairwoman of the concert.

JANE MARIE.

MARSHFIELD.—PARENT'S THEATRE (H. C. Miller, mgr.): H. C. Miller 12-17 to highly popular audience. The play was a comic comedy with some pathos and dramatic interest. The audience being nearly 2,000. Frank Lator as the father was very funny and was only as good as E. J. Derry and David Albrecht. Marion Wallace had the principal singing parts and were very interesting. A company consisting of the members of the orchestra on Oct. 18 completed the cast of the company. The chorus was composed of 22 and the orchestra of 10. The chorus was very large. The costumes and sets were excellent. The manager was Harry Ward's Minstrels to large house.

IDAH.

BONNE CITY.—COLUMBIA THEATRE (James A. Price, mgr.): Irish Pawns 16; S. R. O. Pickles 16; Fairy Tales 17; topheavy house. When Baby Are You 18; Weary Willie Walker 20; Gordon-Hay Opera Co. 22. Peck's Bad Boy 22. The Beggar and the Wolf 22.

POCATELLO.—AUDITORIUM (Colonel Blanchard, mgr.): Richard Carvel 6 to good house. There Are 10 to 2. R. O. When Baby Are You 16 to fair business. The Irish Pawns 17 to good house. Pickles from Peck 18; good house.

CALDWELL.—OPERA HOUSE (A. F. Khan, mgr.): Harry Ward's Minstrels to large house.

ILLINOIS.

LINCOLN.—BROADWAY THEATRE (Manda H. Conant, mgr.): California 6; fair house. A Mother's Heart 9 canceled. Mr. Price's 10 to 12 to a fair audience. The Sign of the Cross 11; full house. St. Louis 12 to 14. The Liberty Belles 22. Men 21. The New Martini 22. Barbara Fritchle 17; fair house. The Irish Pawns 18 to 20. Frank Lator as the father was very funny and was only as good as E. J. Derry and David Albrecht. Marion Wallace had the principal singing parts and were very interesting. A company consisting of the members of the orchestra on Oct. 18 completed the cast of the company. The chorus was composed of 22 and the orchestra of 10. The chorus was very large. The costumes and sets were excellent. The manager was Harry Ward's Minstrels to large house. The Princess of Zenda 9; fair house. Davidson Stock 10-12 to fair audience. Shooting Life 12.

CHAMPAIGN.—THE GRAND (Oswell and Holden, mgr.): Peacock Co. 10 to large audience. Tracy and the Outlaw 11. The Girl and the Gimp 12. The Prisoner of Zenda 13. A Millionaire's Opera House (F. J. Herkert, mgr.): Dark.

MARSHFIELD.—PTHEIAN THEATRE (Sister and Sister, mgr.): Watson's Oriental Burlesques 12 to good house. A Millionaire's Tramp 22. McCarthy's Minstrels 24. Shooting the Chutes 22.

LA SALLE.—HEIMMANN OPERA HOUSE (C. Glusman, mgr.): The Hottest Coon in Dixie 18; fair business. Man to Man 18; good business. The King of Detectives 22. King Dodo (return) 22.

HATTORF.—THEATRE (Charles Hogue, mgr.): Price Comedy Co. 12-15 in A Woman's Vow. Slim and Silky 16; good business. Band Miller; poor business. Barbers 22; good business.

NEW HARMONY.—THRALL'S OPERA HOUSE (Charles Chaffin, mgr.): The Sunshine Girl 16; large audience.

PONTIAC.—FOLK'S OPERA HOUSE (R. D. Folks, mgr.): Statesmen U. T. C. 12; packed house. McCarthy's Minstrels 21.

RANTOUE.—REAL OPERA HOUSE (J. D. Neal, mgr.): A Hoosier Daisy 19; good house. Nellie Peck Sounders co. 20. At the Old Cross Roads Feb. 2.

PRINCETON.—APOLLO OPERA HOUSE (James R. Henderson, mgr.): Under Two Flags 24. A Warm Match 21.

STERLING.—ACADEMY OF MUSIC (M. G. Ward, mgr.): The Prisoner of Zenda 12 to good business.

MORRISON.—AUDITORIUM (Lewis and Shelly, mgr.): The Prisoner of Zenda 14; large business.

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GARRETT CITY.—WAGNER'S OPERA HOUSE (J. William Wagner, mgr.): The Denver Express 21. S. R. O. The Tide of Life 17; fair house. The Light House Robbery 23 canceled. Paul's Modern Minstrel 23. Legally Dead 31.

WABASH.—HAETTER'S OPERA HOUSE (J. M. Haetter, mgr.): King Dodo 12; large house. Brooks 13 to good house. Helen Grantly 14 in The Girl and the Judge canceled. Hickman Brothers 16; good house.

CAMBRIDGE CITY.—MAIN STREET OPERA HOUSE (M. L. Brewster, mgr.): McNamee's Wedding Day 17; good business. Hotter Coon in Dixie 20. MASONIC OPERA HOUSE (Ed J. Boyle, mgr.): Bryan Stock on Feb. 5-7.

MARTFORD CITY.—VAN CLEVE THEATRE (W. L. Van Cleve, mgr.): A Honolulu Coon 17 to small business. True America 21 to S. R. O. Down and Up 24. A Bunch of Keys 27; good business. Two Married Men 25.

ELKHART.—BUCKLIN OPERA HOUSE (D. B. Carpenter, mgr.): Queen and Wall's Minstrels 21; good business. The Southern Coon in Dixie 21. George Brooks in Big Easy 20; Lost River 20.

VINCENNES.—MCINTYRE'S THEATRE (Frank Green, mgr.): The Emerald Isle 14. See Toy 15 to open house. A Millionaire's Tramp 17. The Cowboy and the Lady 16. King Dodo 21. Gay Lord Quex 21.

ROCKVILLE.—OPERA HOUSE (Theodore K. Giesler, mgr.): Watson's Oriental Burlesques 21. The Silver Dragoon 21. Down and Up Feb. 8. Fury 19.

UNION CITY.—UNION GRAND THEATRE (J. J. Pfeifer, mgr.): The Denver Express 17; poor house. When Baby Comes to Town 20 to large audience. Down and Up 27.

FRANKPORT.—COLUMBIA THEATRE (J. J. Augie, mgr.): Two Merry Tramps 14; good house. The Eleventh Hour 15; large audience. Lost River 20.

DECATUR.—DOSE OPERA HOUSE (J. W. Rose, prop.): The Tide of Life 16; good house. The Eleventh Hour 20 to capacity. Colonial Picture co. 20. Two Married Men 20. Reuben in New York Feb. 2.

HUNTINGTON.—OPERA HOUSE (Ed Hart, mgr.): Down and Up 14; good house. The Eleventh Hour 19; large business. Sam T. Jack's Burlesque co. 21.

RENSSELAER.—ELLIS OPERA HOUSE (J. H. Ellis, mgr.): One Night in June 20. Local 20. The Black Vipers Feb. 2. Brown Stock co. 9-14.

ALBION.—HOWARD'S OPERA HOUSE (George R. Howard, mgr.): Bippings Orchestra 16; poor audience. McNamee's Minstrels 21. Alabama Feb. 4.

NEW CASTLE.—ALCAZAR OPERA HOUSE (F. Brown, mgr.): Reuben in New York 17 to packed house. Through the Course of the Earth 19; S. R. O.

TIPTON.—KYLIE'S THEATRE (C. W. Maxwell, mgr.): Down and Up 28.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

ATOKA.—OPERA HOUSE (F. D. G. Crawford, mgr.): His Van Winkle 14; large business. Fool Play 15. The Three Musketeers 27 by the Guy Stock co.; immense business.

SOUTH MCNAULSTER.—LANGDALE OPERA HOUSE (H. L. Carnett, mgr.): A Wise Woman 25; capacity. Black Patti Troubadours 21. A Runaway Slave 20.

MUSKOGEE.—OPERA HOUSE (A. A. Kinney, mgr.): A Wise Woman 26. Sister's Madison Square co. 23, 24. Inn Shannen Shivers 29.

IOWA.

IOWA FALLS.—METROPOLITAN OPERA HOUSE (R. G. Ellsworth, mgr.): The Peddler's Claim 20. The Professor of Zenda 22. The Tide of Life 24. The Girl and the Judge 25 to appear.

ITEMS: C. E. Bruce, formerly stage manager at the Metropolitan, is temporarily in charge of the state. Mr. Kelley's successor not having been chosen. Manager I. L. Stuart, manager of the Olympic at Hampton, Ill., and his wife were in a railroad wreck near Freeport, Ill., Dec. 23. Both were quite badly injured. The Artistic Manager, William Allison, who was on board the steamer, was uninjured on account of the illness of Manager William Allison, who was on board the steamer.

FRANK K. POSTER.

OTTOUWA.—NEW MARKET STREET THEATRE (F. Frank, mgr.): Are You a Man 20 to 25. Light House 15; good house. Old 15. The Tide of Life 17; fair audience. Tracy the Outlaw 18. The Prisoner of Zenda 20. A Runaway Slave 21. The Sign of the Cross 22. The Professor of Zenda 23. The Girl and the Judge 24. The Convict's Daughter 17 to crowded house. The Convict's Daughter 18 to good business. The Lady 19. Henry Miller 20. The Eleventh Hour 21. A Chinese Honeyman 22. Robert Edison 23. A Runaway Slave 24. The Strollers 25. Two Merry Tramps 27. Busy Jay 28. The Storks 29. A Fight for Millions 30. Peck's Bad Boy 31. Royal Stock co. Feb. 1-4. Manufacturing for Hawkins 6. Her Lord and Master 6. Our New Minister 6. Her Lord and Master 7. Hunting for Hawkins 10. The Sign of the Cross 12.

EVANSVILLE.—GRAND (C. J. Scholz, mgr.): Kylie Bell 12; good house. Crinoline and Hall 14; fair house. A Hoosier Girl 17; fair house. Jefferson Angel 18. The Professor of Zenda 20. The Tide of Life 21; fair audience. The Convict's Daughter 22; packed house. The Convict's Daughter 23 to capacity. The Lady 24. The Tide of Life 25 to capacity. The Cowboy and the Lady 26. The Professor of Zenda 27. Robert Edison 28. Lost River 21. The Professor of Zenda 29. The Convict's Daughter 30. Lost River 21. Rose Coggeshall 29. The Chaperones 31. The Black Vipers 3. Mrs. Le Moyne 4. The Chaperones 5. Flordora 6. Down Mobile 7.

LOGANSPORT.—DOWLING'S OPERA HOUSE (Frank E. Dowling, mgr.): King Dodo 14; large house. Watson's Oriental Burlesques 15; large male audience. The Professor of Zenda 16 to capacity. The Convict's Daughter 17 to crowded house. The Convict's Daughter 18 to good business. The Lady 19. Henry Miller 20. The Eleventh Hour 21. A Chinese Honeyman 22. Robert Edison 23. A Runaway Slave 24. The Strollers 25. Two Merry Tramps 27. Busy Jay 28. The Storks 29. A Fight for Millions 30. Peck's Bad Boy 31. Royal Stock co. Feb. 1-4. Manufacturing for Hawkins 6. Her Lord and Master 6. Our New Minister 6. Her Lord and Master 7. Hunting for Hawkins 10. The Sign of the Cross 12.

STERLING.—HAETTER'S THEATRE (T. W. Harpster, Jr., mgr.): A Gentleman of France 14 to large audience. A Poor Relation 15; fair house. Pecky Flinn 16; topheavy house. The White Slave 17; large house. Butler's Military Band 18; fair house. West's Minstrels 19. Royal Slave 20. The Power Behind the Throne 21. The Power Behind the Throne 22. The Irish Pawns 23. The Power Behind the Throne 24. The Irish Pawns 25.

CENTRALIA.—PITTINGER'S GRAND OPERA HOUSE (George W. Pittinger, mgr.): Grace Harwood 12; almost empty house; co. disbanded. The White Slave 13; large audience. Butler's Military Band 14; fair house. The Power Behind the Throne 15; fair audience. The Sign of the Cross 16; full house. The Power Behind the Throne 17; fair audience. St. Louis 18. The Power Behind the Throne 19; fair audience. The Sign of the Cross 20; full house. The Power Behind the Throne 21; fair audience. San Jose 22. Barbara Fritchle 23. The Power Behind the Throne 24; fair audience. The Sign of the Cross 25; full house. The Power Behind the Throne 26; fair audience. The Irish Pawns 27.

DECATUR.—POWER'S GRAND OPERA HOUSE (J. F. Given, mgr.): Sporting Life 12; fair house. A Poor Relation 14 to fair audience. St. Louis 15. The Power Behind the Throne 16; fair audience. The Sign of the Cross 17; full house. The Power Behind the Throne 18; fair audience. The Power Behind the Throne 19; fair audience. The Sign of the Cross 20; full house. The Power Behind the Throne 21; fair audience. The Power Behind the Throne 22; fair audience. The Power Behind the Throne 23; fair audience. The Power Behind the Throne 24; fair audience. The Power Behind the Throne 25; fair audience.

DETROIT.—OLIVER OPERA HOUSE (Harry Green, mgr.): Leon Hermann 13 did not draw well. An American Hustler 15; fair house. The Light House Robbery 16; Harry Miller 17; fair audience. The Professor of Zenda 18; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 19; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 20; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 21; fair house. Harry Miller 22; packed house. Rose Coggeshall 23. The Professor of Zenda 24; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 25; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 26; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 27; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 28; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 29; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 30; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 31; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 32; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 33; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 34; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 35; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 36; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 37; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 38; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 39; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 40; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 41; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 42; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 43; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 44; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 45; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 46; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 47; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 48; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 49; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 50; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 51; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 52; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 53; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 54; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 55; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 56; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 57; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 58; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 59; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 60; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 61; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 62; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 63; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 64; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 65; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 66; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 67; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 68; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 69; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 70; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 71; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 72; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 73; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 74; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 75; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 76; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 77; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 78; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 79; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 80; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 81; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 82; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 83; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 84; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 85; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 86; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 87; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 88; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 89; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 90; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 91; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 92; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 93; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 94; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 95; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 96; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 97; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 98; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 99; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 100; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 101; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 102; fair house. The Professor of Zenda 103; fair house. The Professor of Z

21. Mickey Finn 22. La Voyage en Suisse 24. The Sign of the Cross 25. Florence 25. Barbara Fritchie 25.

ST. LOUIS CITY.—**GRAND OPERA HOUSE** (R. R. Beall, mgr.): The Prince of Pines 22 to S. R. O. Charles Hanford 12-14; in March Ado About Nothing and The Taming of the Shrew; good houses. Are You a Man 15; fair business. The Kitties' Band 16; good houses. Down Mobile 17; large audiences. Hickman Dances 19-22. Walker Whiteface 22-24.

CRESTON.—**PATSY OPERA HOUSE** (J. H. Park, mgr.): Down Mobile 6 unable to show, owing to snow not reaching here on time. Way Down East 10; fair house. Old Adrienne 12; fair house. A Day's Tramp 13. Tracy, the Outlaw 15. An Irish Aristocrat 15. A Merry Time 21.

CHEEKEE.—**GRAND OPERA HOUSE** (R. R. Robertson, mgr.): Down Mobile 15 to crowded houses. Hickman and Pringle's Minstrels 20; The Princess of Life 21. George W. Scott's co. in The Irish Princess 20. The Christian Fox 2. Major Pearce Opera co. in Oliverette 5.

EILDOR 4.—**WINNER OPERA HOUSE** (Gibson and Foster, mgr.): Standard Footer in The Gladiator 24. Troubadours Concert 20. The Man in the Iron Mask 20. A Poor Relation Feb. 6. Goliath Gathering in The Merchant of Venice 21. The Prisoner of Santa Clara 22. General Bain 14. The Irish Peacock 17.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.—**NEW THEATRE** (R. R. Beall, mgr.): The Kitties' Band of Council 15 to fair houses. Eva Hendrick in City Glass 18; large audience. John Walker's Side Track 20; good business. The Peacock's Chorus 22. The Two Orphans 23.

EVANSTON.—**GRAND OPERA HOUSE** (Chamberlin, Knobell and Co., mgr.): Tracy the Outlaw 15; sporting life 20; good house. GM St. Planchard 21. The Denver Express Feb. 2.

KODAKUK.—**OPERA HOUSE** (Chamberlin, Knobell and Co., mgr.): The Fatal Wedding 12; light house. Mr. Jolly of Joliet 16; fair audience. The Golden Chorus 27 to capacity. GM St. Planchard 28. Flower Show 21.

CHICAGO.—**GRAND OPERA HOUSE** (Ben O. Turner, mgr.): Standard Dodge in The Gladiator 15; The Man in the Iron Mask 20; good business. Walker Whiteface in The Merchant of Venice 21. Chase-Lister co. Feb. 5-7. The Prisoner of Santa 18.

MARSHALL-TOWN.—**ODON THEATRE** (Buddy Morris, mgr.): The Days 12-18; large audiences. Kate Clinton 14. The Two Orphans 15. Tracy, the Outlaw 22. The Sign of the Cross 23. Flower Show 24. The Man in the Iron Mask 25. Gay Lord Queen Feb. 2.

PORT HURON.—**MIDLAND THEATRE** (Beth Morrison, mgr.): Are You a Man 14; large audience. The Peacock's Chorus 21. The Sign of the Cross 22. Helen Grantly Feb. 2. Kings and Queens 2.

NEWTON.—**LISTER'S OPERA HOUSE** (A. Lister, mgr.): The Man in the Iron Mask 15; good house. Flower Prince Opera co. in The Pretty Penitent 16 to S. R. O. Standard Dodge 27.

IOWA CITY.—**OPERA HOUSE** (G. H. Gibbons, mgr.): British Manufacturing co. with many new pieces 15-16; to crowded houses. The Prisoner of Santa 22. The Denver Express 23.

CHARLES CITY.—**HILDRETH OPERA HOUSE** (H. H. Shaw, mgr.): Richards and Pringle's Minstrels 15; large audience. A Little Outcast 22. House Music 22.

PATRIOTIC.—**GRAND OPERA HOUSE** (D. P. Drury, mgr.): Tracy the Outlaw 20; good house. A Poor Relation 21. The Irish Aristocrat Feb. 2. A Day's Tramp 13. The Denver Express 1. A Royal Slave 21.

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WICHITA.—**WARREN OPERA HOUSE** (R. W. Warner, mgr.): The Boy Tramp 20; large audience.

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TOPEKA.—**CRAWFORD'S OPERA HOUSE** (Ray Crawford, mgr.): Dr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Flint 15-17 to very large audiences.—**GRAND OPERA HOUSE** (Crawford and Kamm, mgr.): The Sign of the Cross 18; good house. The Devil's Disciple 19; large audience. The Man in the Iron Mask 20. The Girl from Trieste 21.

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STOCK COMPANIES.

Loring Brown, leading woman of the Boyle Stock company at Nashville, Tenn., recently gave a dinner to Eleanor Barry and Walter Fennington, of the Stent-Robson company.

From all reports received from Kansas City it seems that Gertrude Berkley is meeting with much success in that city. Her players offered in Missouri week before last and The Christmas last week, playing to large business.

The Spender Stock company, of Brooklyn, furnished an entertaining specialty last week in the form of a sextette composed of Edna May Spender, Cecil Spender, Jessie McAllister, Augustus Phillips, Harold Kennedy, and Hal Clarendon.

The stock company at the Grand Opera House, Pittsburgh, returned to its regular form of weekly productions last week, after a successful four weeks' run of the Christmas pantomime. Lovers Lane was the offering of the week.

Crescent Clarke was the visiting star at the Grand Opera House, New Orleans, Jan. 16-24, when the stock company presented Hamlet in a most creditable manner. The Baldwin-McVille Stock company met with much success at the Audubon Theatre in that city during the same week, the offering being The Last Appeal.

Sidney Toler joined the Columbia Stock company of Brooklyn last week, appearing as Mardonius in The Empress Theodore.

Corse Payton opened his new theatre on Fulton Street, Brooklyn, to be known hereafter as Payton's Fulton Street Theatre, last week, the opening bill being A Royal Family. The company is headed by Ethel Reed Payton and Walter Wilson. Miss Reed will, however, be seen at the Lee Avenue house at intervals during the season.

Loring Brown has resigned from the Boyle Stock company.

Beth Cabell Halsey closed a special engagement with the Empire Stock company, Toledo, on Jan. 24.

Victor Murphy left town Saturday to join the New Powers Theatre company at Grand Rapids, Mich., as principal comedian. Joseph Fitzpatrick left at the same time to play the character comedy role. The season will open Feb. 4.

MANAGER CHAMPION'S SUCCESS.

Charles K. Champlin and his stock company have now in their fifth year as manager and leading man with his own company. Last season he closed his company on Aug. 2 and reopened again Sept. 1 at New Haven, Conn. N. J. Since then he has broken nine records of week's business. It is well known that Champlin played the new Grand Theatre, Stamford, Conn., and the old Grand Theatre, which was also the home of the Empire until it burned, says that Mr. Champlin's audience is the largest ever known in the history of Stamford. Hundreds were turned away. A half-time picture on another page shows the audience of Thursday night at Stamford.

IN OTHER CITIES.

(Seehead the lists for classification.)

SAN FRANCISCO.

Indians Trilogy was presented at St. Fischer's Theatre, San Francisco, from the hit it made during the summer, and is still running for at least two more months. It is a very good show, and has been well received.

W. E. and Ethel Wynn, C. G. Bates, George F. Hall, and Albert Verner, Whistler Blame has a good showing as Captain Grumbie and appears to be doing well. Jameson, as Jack Hartley, is out of the country, and in a far better in his impersonation of French character. He is a very good actor, and is to be congratulated. Mrs. Keith's production of the front with their specialty dancing and some fine music and comedy. Olive Gray, as Mrs. Fine, makes a distinctive fit. Harry Horner has little to do but an annual does that little fit. There is in 22. Next attraction, Marie Foster and Arthur, headed back Saturday evening.

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BRUNSWICK CIGAR CO.

THE MAN WITH THE GREEN EYES (Clara Bow, star): New York city Dec. 26-Jan. 1.

THE GREAT WHITE DIAMOND (Walter Pidgeon, star): Wheeling, W. Va., Jan. 26-27. Pittsburgh Feb. 2-3.

THE PLAINING ARROW (Lincoln J. Carter's Cam-
den, N. J., Jan. 26-28; Hoboken 28; Redwood
Isle, Fort Lee 24; Newark 2, N. J., Feb. 4-6; Pier-
ce City 4; Galena, Ill., 8; Columbus 6; Weir
City 7).

THE DRIVER EXPRES (Western: R. J. Sawyer,
star): Akron, O., Jan. 26-28; Elizabeth, N. J.,
Feb. 2-3.

THE DANGERS OF PARIS: Boston, Mass., Jan. 26-
27.

THE ELEVENTH HOUR (Western: Lincoln J. Carter's;
Narrows, O., Jan. 26; Akron 28-31; Canton
Feb. 2; Cambridge 3; Caldwell 4; Wheeling, W. Va.,
Feb. 3-4).

THE ELEVENTH HOUR (Lincoln J. Carter's; Kansas
City, Mo., Jan. 26-31; St. Joseph 3, 1, 2; Mary-
ville, Mo., 3; Creston 4; Des Moines 8-9).

THE CONVICT'S DAUGHTER (Western: Wesley B.
Schram, star): Greeley, Colo., Jan. 26-28; New
 Haven, Conn., 28-31; Houston, Tex., Feb. 1-4; Peter-
son 5-7.

THE CONVICT'S DAUGHTER (Southern: George Simen-
on; J. D. Newman, star): Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 27;
Ottawa 28; Galt 29; Victoria Feb. 1.

THE CONVICT'S DAUGHTER (Western: Roland C.
Fox, Fred Fox, Jr., star): Jan. 27; Hartford City 28;

THE COULDNT (Carl A. Harrel, star): New
Orleans 28; Monroe 29; Louisville 31; Middletown,
N. Y., Feb. 1; Binghamton, N. Y., 3; Norwich, Conn.,
4.

THE OUTPOST AND THE LADY (R. Miller Keay):
Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 26-31; Sedalia Feb. 1; Lin-
coln, Neb., 2.

THE DARKEST HOUR (Lincoln J. Carter's; Kansas
City, Mo., Jan. 26-31; St. Joseph 3, 1, 2; Mary-
ville, Mo., 3; Creston 4; Des Moines 8-9).

THE DAUGHTER (Alice Pendleton): Guy Davis,
star: Meriden, Conn., Jan. 27; Jefferson City 28; Mar-
shall 29; Sedalia 31; Springfield Feb. 1; Aurora 2;
Pierce City 4; Galena, Ill., 8; Columbus 6; Weir
City 7.

THE EVIL EYE: Battle Creek, Mich., Jan. 28.

THE PAST MAIL (Lincoln J. Carter's): Naugatuck,
Conn., Jan. 27; Hartford 28; Danbury 29; Pasco-
wic, N. J., 30; Middletown 31; Somerville 2; New Brus-
wick, Pa., 3; Morristown 4; Mt. Holly 5; Salem 6.

THE FATAL WEDDING: Lawrence, Kan., Jan. 27;
Arlington 28; Nebraska City, Neb., 29; Omaha 30; Sioux
City 31.

THE FATAL WEDDING (Don Ross, star): Chicago
Jan. 27; Cincinnati, O., Feb. 2-7.

THE FATAL WEDDING (Sullivan, Harris and Woods
group): Los Angeles, Calif., 2; Parkersburg, W. Va.,
28; Marion 29; Indianapolis 31; Indianapolis 2, 3; Cam-
bridge 32; Wheeling, W. Va., Feb. 3-4; Steubenville 5; New Castle 6.

THE HEART OF MARYLAND: Minneapolis, Minn.,
Jan. 26-31; West Superior, Wis., Feb. 2; Duluth
3, 2; St. Cloud 4; Brainerd 5; Fargo, N. D., 6; Bemidji
7; Moorhead 8.

THE GIRL WITH THE GREEN EYES (Clara Bow,
star): New York city Dec. 26-Jan. 1.

THE KING OF TRAMPS (Larry J. French, star):
Harry Love, star: Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 26-27; Ottawa 28;
Washington 29; Sheboygan, Wis., Feb. 1-2.

THE LEGALLY DEAD: Macomb, O., Jan. 27; Peoria
28; Antwerp, Ind., 29; Garrett 29; Naples 31; De-
Sance, O., Feb. 2; Antwerp 2; Champaign, Ill., 3; Illinois 4; Naperville 5.

THE LIMITED MAIL (Elmer E. Vance, star): Ply-
mouth, Mass., Jan. 27; Marlboro 28; Worcester 29;
R. I., 28; Taunton, Mass., 30; Riverpoint, R. I., 2; Provi-
dence Feb. 2-7.

THE LITTLE PRINCESS: New York city Jan. 14
Indefinite.

THE MAN FROM MEXICO: Modesto, Cal., Jan. 26-
27; Hanford 28; Merced 30.

THE MAN FROM SWEDEN (Broadhurst and Cu-
rie, stars): San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 26-31; Wood-
land Feb. 2; Marysville 3; Chico 4; Grant's Pass
5; Roseburg 6; Eugene 7.

THE MAN WHO DARED (Howard Hall): Ed 1;
Salter, Ky., Feb. 2-7; Newark, N. J., 8-14.

THE MINISTER'S DAUGHTERS (Grover
Brooks, star): Cincinnati, O., Jan. 26-31; Detroit
Mich., Feb. 1-7; Chicago, Ill., 8-14.

THE MINISTER'S SON (W. J. Patterson; J. M. Stoy,
star): Union City, Tenn., Jan. 27; Fulton, Ky., 2;
Paris, Tenn., 3.

THE MISSOURI GIRL (Western: Fred Raymond,
star): Port Huron, O., Jan. 27; Mayfield, Ky., 28;
Edmonton 29; Mt. Sterling 30; Winchester 31;
Coopersburg Feb. 1; Shivelyville 4; Somerset 5; La-
salle 6; Elizabethtown 7; Owensboro 8; Kend-
all 10.

THE MISSOURI GIRL (Western: Fred Raymond,
Harry S. Hopper, star): City Center, Kas., Jan. 27;
Topeka 28; Hutchinson 29; Concordia 29; Minneapolis 30;
Marion 31; Junction City Feb. 1; Milwaukie 2; Lovell 3;
Butchison 4; Newton 5; Wichita 6; Carroll 7.

THE MOONSHINER'S DAUGHTER (Mann, Bush
and Co., stars): Munising, Mich., Jan. 27; Negaunee
28; Ishpeming 29; Hancock 30; Calumet 31; Lake
Linen Feb. 2; Menominee 3; Ashland, Wis., 4; Eau
Claire, Minn., 5-7; Wausau, Wis., 8.

THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS (Burt and Bla-
ke, stars): Utica, N. Y., Jan. 27; Owego 28; Scranton,
Pa., 29-31.

THE OLD HOMESTEAD (Dorothy Thompson's
Mister, N. Y., Jan. 27; Ithaca 28; Geneva 29; Cor-
ning 30; Lyons 31; Rochester Feb. 2, 3; Aus-
tin 4; Corning 5; Utica 6; Schenectady 7).

THE PAY TRAIN: Wilmette, Ill., Jan. 27; Edina
N. J., 28; Philadelphia 29; 30-31; Salt Lake City 32.

THE PRELUDE (John Galsworthy): New York city
Jan. 27-31.

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editorial the Boston Transcriber handled this and other statements thus:

If Dr. Dixon has any personal knowledge of the workings of the theatre behind the curtain he must know that instead of a "seminary of vice" it is a college of hard work. No decent and honorable success on the stage is ever won except by the hardest of hard work. The comparatively short time that the great actor or actress is upon the stage represents but a very small percentage of the work that is done. The art dramatic is a most exciting task-masters. Discipline cannot go hand in hand with success that is worth having. Dr. Dixon advances the proposition that the stage tends to the immorality of its members. It is true that there are immoral actors and actresses. So, too, are there immoral bishops, commissioners and tailors-chandlers. The highest walks of society are not free from taint of scandal. Even to the credulity of the church, the sinfulness of the pulpit, the breath of shame has come. Ministers of the gospel have sinned and been found out. Was this the fault of the church or the ministry as an institution? We should not feel it right, in reviewing the scandals which have marred the fair fame of the Christian church, to make the sweeping declaration that religion is responsible for the immorality. There is evil on the stage as in the ministry; scandal often touches the theatre and—the pity of it!—often invades the pastor's study. But it is the fault of neither the theatre nor the church. Immoral men and women can act, innocent men and women can preach, and eloquently, too, but their immorality is not caused by either stage or church. It is true that temptation is rife in the theatre, but that it is so is generally due to the fast-minded personalities of reputable men of wealth whom Dr. Dixon might welcome to his congregation. Dr. Dixon is right, there is immorality in the theatre. Life, everywhere, is full of it. Honesty is frail. What can Dr. Dixon do to improve the conditions? The theatre, its plays and people, may need purification. Is a wholesale onslaught upon the theatrical profession a step in this direction?

The theatre, of course, is no worse than the common life of its time, that it is in a measure reflects. The Transcriber might truly have added that the pulpit itself, in its sensationalism and insincerity, to say nothing of the scandals that mark its occupants merely as weak men, also reflects the age. A writer in the Boston Transcript truly says that Dr. Dixon's indiscriminate, sweeping and ill-natured criticism of the stage "brings the pulpit into contempt among fair-minded men," and adds:

The theatre has an important function to perform as an educational and recreational agency. Properly conducted, the theatre would supplement the church in teaching practical morality. That it fulfills its mission in the highest way at the present time no one who knows the facts would maintain. It is unfortunately true that the present condition of the drama, both from a moral and an artistic point of view, is a subject of regret. The theatre needs reforming, and needs it badly, but no sane man could wish to see the institution abolished. Even as it is there are plenty of plays that leave no bad taste in the mouth—plays of wholesome interest, clean humor and honest fun. If plays of another sort should it be because they are demanded by the popular taste. The character of the theatre in any age is simply a reflex of the contemporary state of culture or barbarism. The immoral play of the present day, like the yellow journal, is a product of social degeneracy. We shall get a better theatre just as soon as we deserve and demand it—not before. Meanwhile it doesn't help matters for the clergy to rail against the theatre and advise good people to give it a wide birth. That course only postpones the day of better things.

It may be added that the extravagance of Dr. Dixon's assault on the theatre was emphasized by the absurdity of one of his resultant arguments, that "The better the acting, the worse the actor," his theory being that "to act a part is to weaken the character of the actor, who always must be a hypocrite in pretending to be what he is not." This is as logical as to say that the more impassioned and earnest and apparently sincere a preacher is in his discourse, the greater the proof of his insincerity.

Most of the comparatively few tirades against the theatre from the pulpit nowadays are based on antique ideas of the theatre. The preachers that thus offend common sense are fond of talking about what the theatre was centuries ago, when so-called Christians themselves, divided into violently opposed sects, were busy hanging, burning and barbarously torturing one another in the name of religion. The words of the Rev. MITCHELL BROWN, D.D., of Bayonne, N. J., uttered only last Sunday, are pertinent to-day:

We of the twentieth century should not be governed by what a body of men which existed three hundred years ago did or did not do. We are better Christians than the Puritans of old. If you can go to the dance, theatre or card party with the love of God in your heart, why go, and God bless you! It is a shame for anybody to say that the stage is crowded with immoral men and women.

And happily this clergymen briefly voices the belief of a majority of his profession.

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DEATH OF FREDERICK CHIPPENDALE.



Frederick Chippendale, who was a notable figure upon the American stage for a period of forty-five years, died at the Edwin Forrest Home, near Philadelphia, on Friday, Jan. 22, after a lingering illness of many weeks. Since the death of Joseph Alfred Smith in 1889 Mr. Chippendale had been the oldest man of the group of veteran players at the Home, where he had been a guest for ten years. As the dean of the little company he occupied the place of honor there, and he was highly esteemed by his associates as well as by a large circle of friends now active in the profession.

Mr. Chippendale was a member of one of the oldest of English theatrical families. His grandfather was William Chippendale, a noted comedian of his day in London and at one time a member of David Garrick's company. His father was William Henry Chippendale, who during the first half of the last century was a prominent player in England and America. Frederick Chippendale joined the whole of his professional career in America. The family is now represented in the theatre by Mr. Chippendale's daughter, Belle Chippendale Warner, widow of Bell Warner, and her two daughters, Adele Warner, who is with Viola Alline's company, and Lenore Chippendale, a member of E. H. Booth's company. A third daughter, May Warner, resides from the stage a few years ago and is living in Boston.

It was Mr. Chippendale's habit to describe himself as "a Scot by birth, an Englishman by education, and an American by choice and adoption." He was born in Ayr, Scotland—the native town of Robert Burns—on Oct. 22, 1820. His father, though himself entitled to the stage, decided that his son should follow the law, and so had placed him in a classical school in Devonshire. Young Chippendale studied there for seven years, and distinguished himself particularly in Greek and Latin and in mathematics. He was a close student, indeed, through his whole lifetime, and he was wont to protest with much vigor that every actor should be thoroughly familiar with the classics and should know English, Latin and French before setting foot on the stage.

After finishing his college course Mr. Chippendale went to London and there read law. He was admitted to the bar and practiced in London for several years. During this period the older Chippendales had come to America, and at his urgent solicitation the son followed him in 1848. Upon arriving in New York young Chippendale entered the office of a firm of brokers in Wall Street and for three years he devoted himself closely to commercial affairs. But at about this time his inherited inclination for the stage began to assert itself more strongly than ever before, and at last the young clerk decided to desert the law and business in favor of the profession of his ancestry. He therefore cast about for an engagement and eventually secured one with the company playing at Richmond, Va. There he made his first appearance on the stage in 1848, being then twenty-eight years old.

The early years of Mr. Chippendale's stage career were passed in the stock companies of the principal Eastern cities, and his experience did not differ materially from that of the majority of young actors of the time. He played an infinite number of parts—first as walking gentlemen, then as juveniles, then as light comedians—and by reason of the visiting star system then in vogue he appeared in support of nearly all of the eminent players of the period. For nine years he was a member of the Conway company in Brooklyn; for four years he was at the old Wallace's old Broome Street Theatre, and for three years he played with Mr. Henderson's company in Pittsburg. When the travelling company epoch began Mr. Chippendale joined the late James A. Herne's organization and for nine consecutive seasons he supported that actor. In the latter years of his public life he was in the Frohman forces, playing old men, and he made his last appearance under that management in 1892. His retirement from the stage was necessitated by his steadily increasing deafness, which prevented him taking his cues. He was physically vigorous up to a few months ago. During his stage career of nearly forty-five years Mr. Chippendale reckoned that he appeared in the principal cities of forty-one States and three Territories, and in no less than twenty different theatres in New York.

At the Edwin Forrest Home Mr. Chippendale ordered his daily life quite as strictly as when he was in active service on the stage. In Winter and in Summer he took three brisk walks over the "Springbrook" estate every day; and every day he devoted certain hours to study and to writing. He made it his habit to read Greek and Latin regularly, "in order," he said, "to keep the mind in training." Up to the time of Joseph Alfred Smith's death Mr. Chippendale and he opposed each other at chess or cribbage almost every evening, and so well matched were they that the score usually stood even. In person Mr. Chippendale was a short, sturdy man, inclined toward portliness. He was a delightful conversationalist, full of amusing anecdotes and quotations from the classics. His death leaves vacant a place in the little circle at the Home that will be hard to fill.

The remains were brought to New York on Saturday, and yesterday (Monday) afternoon the funeral services were held in the Little Church Around the Corner. All of Mr. Chippendale's surviving relatives and a large number of his old-time friends were present. The interment will be made in the family plot in Green-Wood Cemetery.

RANSFIELD WORKED FOR BOARD.

In a preliminary examination last Saturday in the suit brought by Elizabeth Marbury, to whom Edmund Rostand has assigned his claims in this country to royalties on *Cyrano de Bergerac*, alleged to be long overdue, Richard Mansfield testified that he did not produce *Cyrano de Bergerac*, but that the company of which he was president did.

His memory seemed to fail completely as to how long he had paid royalties to Rostand, and he said that he could not find any books to assist his recollection. He also asserted that Mrs. Mansfield, who owns ninety-nine per cent. of the stock of the company, after paying his hotel and weekly expenses, got the rest, and when questioned he admitted that he had been working for his board.

Mr. Mansfield will continue in an examination to be held this week.

A LAST WORD FROM ALBERT.

From all who are interested in the theatrical profession it is a matter of great interest to learn of the death of Albert, the well-known manager of the New York Stock Exchange. He was born in Liverpool, England, in 1838, and died at 100 West 45th Street, New York, on Saturday morning. He was a member of the Actors' Church Alliance, Prof. E. L. Kellogg, of the French-American Protective Union; Howard Hamilton, Captain, and R. D. Van Meter. The Smith-Brown Playing Company, of Denver, too, has paid tribute to him. The New York Stock Exchange may be considered to have lost one of its best and most efficient managers. Albert deserved every benefit performance.

Nothing can be done to accomplish the foundation of the association, Mr. Bell is trying to attract to his project the attention of every member of the



An article entitled "Confessions of a Playwright," in *Ainslee's Magazine* for February has attracted considerable interest and a lively curiosity as to the identity of its author, whose name is not given.

The playwright confesses that he is a member of the great army of the unacted, and he describes in detail his ineffectual efforts to place his works. The story is a familiar one, but it is more interesting in this case than usual, from the fact the circumstances of the quest are given in detail.

The playwright asserts that from all his wandering in search of a play-buyer he has learned nothing. Managers, actors and agents have helped him not at all. He is particularly severe upon the qualifications of actors to judge the merits of plays, considering their point of view narrow, ignorant and prejudiced and even less valuable than that of managers, who are moved by purely commercial considerations.

He shows a commendable spirit of perseverance, however, for in spite of his long and fruitless efforts to place his plays he announces the intention to continue undismayed to the end of the chapter. Naturally, the superiority of the playwright's talents to the judgment of those who have read his manuscripts cannot be determined until his plays are actually produced. It may be found then that his complaints are not justified.

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Special care seems to have been taken to conceal the identity of the author of these "Confessions of a Playwright," although he has not hesitated to disclose the identity of the various persons to whom he submitted his works. In justice to these persons and in the interests of fair play, it may not be out of place to reveal the identity of the writer of the article in question. He is John D. Barry, well known as the dramatic critic of *Advertiser's Weekly*.

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It has been announced that Frederick Kerr is to appear in Haddon Chambers' new play, *A Comedy of Manners*. Mr. Kerr contradicts this report in a letter in which he says: "I shall not be able to leave Mrs. Campbell's company, I fear, to play in Haddon Chambers' play, which I am sorry for, as he is an old friend and my association with him in *The Tyranny of Teas* (in which I was the original Gunning) was very pleasant." Mr. Kerr will finish his engagement with Mrs. Campbell on Feb. 21, and his movements after that are uncertain. He may return to London, but he would prefer to finish the season in New York if anything in his way comes along.

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In six one-night stands in New England last week Mr. Hackett played to close on \$11,000. He gave two performances in Bridgeport on Monday at the Colonial Theatre, and Mr. Smith, the manager of that new and successful playhouse, writes that the receipts were close to \$3,000. Mr. Hackett started toward the West yesterday. He fulfills an engagement in Chicago shortly.

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The Theatrical Trust has not added to its popularity by the wholesale accusations of bribery and corruption it has lodged against various dramatic critics of the daily press.

This is a device to seek to discredit writers that are beyond the Trust's sphere of influence. It is a poor device and it acts usually as a boomerang.

It is notorious that the Trust has sought to control the press so far as it can. Having a large amount of advertising patronage to bestow, both directly and indirectly, it has used it in various directions with more or less—generally less—effect.

Only newspapers whose editorial and news departments are under the dominion of the counting-room have shown a disposition to yield to the Trust's demands, and such newspapers have little influence and are restricted in number.

Outside of this class of publications, the Trust has been unsuccessful in its efforts. Naturally, it decries writers that are honest and outspoken and beyond the reach of its tentacles.

Indeed, the real state of affairs is so well understood that the Trust's absurd reflections upon several of our best esteemed dramatic critics have caused only derision.

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It is stated that the booking agents of the Trust are offering a list of twenty or more attractions to what are called the dollar theatres. This is in violation of the agreement or understanding that has existed hitherto be-

tween the Trust and the Stair and Havlin circuit, which has had virtually a monopoly of the popular-price business throughout the country. Evidently, there will be a bitter war in consequence, as Messrs. Stair and Havlin are not likely to permit this invasion to proceed without reprisals.

AMERICAN ACADEMY MATINEE.

The sixth of the present series of matinee performances by the senior students of the American Academy of Dramatic Arts was given at the Empire Theatre last Friday afternoon, in the presence of the customary large audience. The programme consisted of three short plays never before acted in New York. Then the students again performed what has come to be their annual function of dramatic introductions.

The first number on the bill, *The Mother*, by William Dean Howells, may scarcely be called a play. It is merely a dialogue, with no dramatic action whatever, and it appeared to far better advantage in its original form as a magazine article than it did when forced into service on the stage. A mother lying in bed with her newborn child discusses with a young father the mystery of the dawn of a new life. The philosophy, the poetry and the sentiment of the conversation are charming, but to be thoroughly appreciated *The Mother* must be read, not heard across the footlights. Indeed, there seemed an inefficiency about this very delicate and beautiful thing when presented theatrically. The auditor felt himself an intruder, while the reader feels himself a beloved friend. In Mr. Howells' book, "The Story of a Play," he showed so keen an insight into the requirements of the stage that one wonders how he made the blunder of exhibiting this perfect little miniature in the inhospitable gallery of the theatre, where larger canvases and bolder colors are required. The lines of the father were delivered carefully, though in rather stilted fashion, by Frank Dekum, and Elsie Scott as the mother was tenderness and gentleness in her every word and expression.

The second play, *A Gauntlet*, by Björnson, was a far stronger dramatic dish than the little curtain-raiser. It was, indeed, rather highly colored. The English translator set the matter forth in good, plain words, and, incidentally, the play was cut down to two acts for presentation by the students. The cast was as follows:

Mr. Ries	Meredith G. Brown
Miss Christensen	Henry Corbin
Alf Christensen	Franklin Sheppard
Hoff	Philip Abbott
Peter	Lemuel B. C. Josephs
Miss Ries	Isabelle Walker
Miss Christensen	Isabel Nordyke
Elise	Ella Payne
Frank	Doris Keane
Pauline	Mary Ruth
Clara	Franklin Carter
Marie	John Miller
	Albert Goodwin

In *A Gauntlet* Mr. Björnson undertakes again a discussion of the old question of whether or not a man should be as pure as a maid, or, rather, whether or not he should be expected to be as pure. His argument is that he most certainly should be, but that it is not always possible to expect him to be. The entire action of the piece takes place in the drawing-room of the house of Mr. Ries, a wealthy citizen in Norway. Mr. Ries possesses a buoyant, frivolous nature, a wife of curious mind, and a daughter, Svava, who "takes after" her mother and who is the cause of all the trouble. Svava is an exceptionally intelligent and cultured young woman, of lofty ideals, and yet of a very practical mind. She is deeply interested in an orphanage, which she helped to establish, and in her work there she meets and falls in love with young Alf Christensen, a man who, despite the fact that he is the son of an extremely wealthy family, is ambitious to do his share in bringing about a better condition among the poor. The young man and the young woman are extremely well suited to each other, and when their engagement is announced there is great rejoicing among their relatives and their friends. Mr. Ries is particularly pleased, since the alliance will greatly improve his financial standing, which, it is hinted, is just a trifle shaky. The happy condition of affairs is suddenly and completely destroyed by the coming of one Hoff, a broken-down commercial traveler, who acquaints Svava with the fact that Alf's life has not been as pure as she believes it. Indeed, he tells her that his own wife, now dead, was the mistress of the prospective bridegroom. Svava is horrified, and she dismisses Alf without allowing him a word of explanation.

In the second act the father of Svava pleads with her to put aside her foolish notions, protesting that Alf's sin was committed long before he ever saw her. Svava, however, is not to be moved. Then comes an encounter between the two fathers. Mr. Christensen, Sr., states emphatically that if Svava breaks the engagement it will bring scandal upon his son, and that if the tongue of scandal once begins to wag regarding his family it will not stop until some of his own misdeeds have been well discussed. Mr. Ries assumes an air of virtue and asserts that Mr. Christensen's sins are no affair of his. Whereupon Mr. Christensen retorts that Mr. Ries has a few skeletons of a similar sort in his own closet that will surely be introduced to the public if Svava is not prevailed upon to keep to her engagement. Thus it appears that two very prominent and respectable families will be dragged through the mire unless Svava relents. "It is better to lie a little than to suffer much," says the Princess Yo San. But Svava has no such comfortable "mortality." "Is matrimony merely to be a laundry in which men's soiled reputations may be cleansed?" she inquires. And to give a negative answer to her query she strikes Alf in the face with her glove, and leaves her relatives to straighten out their scandals as best they can.

The principal roles in *A Gauntlet* were all very acceptably acted, although they were somewhat heavy and complex for players of limited experience. Meredith G. Brown caught the spirit of Mr. Ries admirably and gave a very clear impression of a difficult character to impersonate. Henry Corbin was an excellent Christensen, Sr., presenting a better character study than he had before shown. Franklin Jones possesses many qualities necessary in a leading man, and his portrayal of Alf was clean cut, vigorous and gentlemanly. Phillip Sheffield as Hoff gave in many respects the best performance of the afternoon. His impersonation showed careful thought and deep feeling and he revealed the heart of the man in very artistic fashion indeed. The Svava of Isabel Nordyke was admirable, though lacking at times in definiteness. Isabelle Walker as Mrs. Ries was authoritative and natural. The other roles were in capable hands.

The performance ended with the first presentation in English of Calderon's *Beware of Smooth Water*. The translation from the Spanish was made by Edward Fitzgerald. The cast was as follows:

Don Alonso	Lemuel B. C. Josephs
Don Ferrito	J. Griffith Wray
Don Juan	Robert Lee Hill
Don Pedro	A. H. Van Buren
Hernando	Philip Shepherd
Otanes	Maurice Steuart
Doña Clara	Ernest Crawford
Doña Eugenia	Grace R. Stevens
Mari Nuno	Isabel Nordyke
Brigida	Anna Walsh
	Audra Sylvia

Beware of Smooth Water is a genial, unusual—not immoral—highly colored drama of intrigues such as the Spanish playwrights have always excelled in. No discussions of troublesome questions of right and wrong occur in this play. The rare old author took thought only of such maxims as "All's fair in love and war," and "None but the brave deserve the fair." The scenes are laid in sunny Madrid, in 1604, and the characters are the bold gallants, the beautiful ladies and the courtly spirits of the place and period. Don Alonso has two magnificent daughters, and each daughter has several suitors. But Don Alonso

has set his heart upon marrying off one of the daughters to his nephew, Don Ferrito, a man of great wealth and position, and whom he proposes a gentleman as can be found. The old master, of course, makes a enormous sum of Don Ferrito, and after much quibbling, many secret discussions, and sundry complications, he leaves once again the fair city and all is well.

The students entered admirably into the spirit of the drama and without exception the roles were well played. Particularly good work was done by Lemuel B. C. Josephs as Don Alonso, J. Griffith Wray as Don Ferrito, Robert Lee Hill as Tom Peltz, Grace R. Stevens as Doña Clara, and Isabel Nordyke as Doña Eugenia. The costumes were very handsome and the settings were attractive.

DEBUT OF PEGGY PRIN PARIS.

George Ade's latest offering to the shrine of musical comedy, *Peggy from Paris*, had its premiere at South Bend, Ind., on Saturday. Large audiences attended both performances and the pieces went through with wonderful smoothness, despite the fact that a small stage somewhat cramped the chorus. The book of the play is clean, reasonable and interesting, while a little of Mr. Ade's famous slang serves to give it an acceptable tang. The music, by William Lorraine, who has achieved some note for several individual pieces of music, but who makes his debut as a musical comedy composer in *Peggy from Paris*, is tuneful and light and was very well received.

The story of the play deals with an Illinois girl who goes in an operatic production as a French singer, but who, at the close of the play, becomes tired of the deception and declares her nationality. There is much of simplicity in the piece, while the humor is bright and clean. Helen Bergman plays the title-role, while Jessie Badler, in her Dutch specialty, provides excellent comedy. Fred Lennox, William Hodges, George Burns, and Arthur Dragon are also well fitted for their parts. The cast of the piece is as follows:

Captain Alonso Plummer	William T. Hodge
Clotilde Grimpé	John Lester
Montague Fife	John Morris
Alfred Norwood	John Price
Reginald Hickey	Arthur Dornan
M. Hammond	Will Dimmick
M. Félix Berger	Don Baker
M. Ben Ben	K. H. O'Connor
Perry Flanner	Helen Bergman
Lotte Flanner	Gustina Baker
Miss Montague Fife	Alice James
Miss Badler	Jessie Badler
Lulu Ann Lynch	Helen Miller

The play had its Chicago opening at the Studholme Theatre last night and will continue there.

THE GREEN-ROOM CLUB WILL TALK SHOP.

The first of a series of monthly shop talks to be given by the Green-Room Club in the grill room of their handsome club house on Forty-seventh Street will occur on Saturday evening, Feb. 7.

A reception and concert will occupy the early hours of the evening. At 11:30 Prompter William H. Crane will ring up on shop talk. A star of equal prominence and a popular leading man will be the Cal-Boy and Prompter respectively. Prompter and the Cal-Boy will talk shop to the overflow meetings in the music and green rooms. Crane says he hasn't been a prompter since he sang comic songs with the Holmans. He says he can ring up all right, but what's troubling him now is, who is going to ring down?

Milton Nobles, Vice-President of the club and author of the popular series of Shop Talks that have appeared in *The Minnow* during the past ten years, cannot be present at the first of the series, which he has been chiefly instrumental in inaugurating, but the prompter will read his apology. Mr. Nobles will be present at the March meeting. An interesting feature of the shop talks will be a ladies' day during April, when Mrs. G. W. Jones will be the guest of honor.

TORNBERG IN THE GAME OF SPECULATION.

S. Tornberg, the Jewish actor, who for several years has been a prominent member of the stock companies at the Thalia Theatre and the People's Theatre, appeared at the latter playhouse last Thursday evening in the principal role of *The Game of Speculation*, which he had adapted for the Yiddish stage from the French of Balzac. The play contains a number of powerful scenes, and Mr. Tornberg, both as author and actor, handled them admirably. The audience was as large as the theatre could well accommodate and the star and the supporting company won plentiful and enthusiastic applause.

MUSIC NOTES.

William G. Stewart, now singing the title-role in Fred C. Whitner's production of *When Johnny Comes Marching Home*, is putting the finishing touches to an opera he has been writing for two years. The opera is in two acts and four scenes, all laid in the Transvaal. Some of the characters are Kruger, DeWitt, Steyn, Lord Roberts, Colonel Kitchener and French. The opening scene is in Ladysmith during the siege.

H. Whitney Tew, the English baritone, recently brought suit in the Court of Appeals against Henry Wolfsohn and his wife, Paula, alleging breach of contract. Mr. Tew charges Mr. Wolfsohn, who was his manager, with failure to pay all that was due him and with canceling several engagements. This is the third court in which the case has been tried, and both previous times it has been decided in favor of the singer, who asks \$5,000 damages.

Clara Wallenthin, a former Connecticut mill girl and protégé of a New York society woman, is now abroad, where she is said to be meeting with wonderful success as a singer. Critics have pronounced her voice the finest in Stockholm, and she has just signed a contract for three years to appear with grand opera.

A choral society has been organized in Columbus, Ga., with several of the important musicians of the city as officers. The society plans to give concerts and to present operas.

The Wagner trilogy ended with the fall of the curtain at the Metropolitan Opera House Friday night. The tenth week of grand opera began auspiciously last night.

Ada Crossley, a young Australian contralto, made her American debut at the Bagby musical morning, Monday, Jan. 19, winning favor by her exquisite style and fine voice quality. M. Gilbert, Madame Gilbert, and Marie McFarland also sang.

The third Damrosch lecture recital was given at Daly's Theatre Jan. 19. David Stephen assisted. At the Thursday lecture Sara Anderson was the soloist.

The second concert of the Mannes Quartette in Mendelssohn Hall Tuesday evening was inspiring musically. The feature of the program was a new composition by Louis V. Sager.

Super Metcalfe was heard in song recital Tuesday afternoon in Mendelssohn Hall. Her numbers were rendered with marked intelligence and good taste.

The Apollo Club gave its first concert of the season in the grand ball-room of the Waldorf-Astoria Tuesday evening. The artists were Anna E. Otten, violiniste; Cecilia Niles, soprano; Frank Miller, pianist.

Mendelssohn Hall was the scene of an ensemble piano recital Wednesday afternoon by Ottilye and Juliette Sonnheim, sisters, whose home is in St. Louis. Their playing was meritorious.

Two violin recitals were given in Mendelssohn Hall Thursday. One in the afternoon by Mand McCarthy, the Irish girl violiniste, aided by Arthur Whitney at the piano. The evening one was the initial appearance of Desso Nemes, the Hungarian.

The three hundred engagements at Bellevue Hospital were filled to their first concert and entertainment Friday evening, under the management of Henrietta Mantova, pianist.

PERSONAL.



GREENE.—Above is the portrait of Walter D. Greene as Oroyden, Prince of Corinthia, the leading role of *The Consul*, now playing at the Princess Theatre. Mr. Greene has scored a signal success in the part.

POTTER.—Mrs. James Brown Potter has, it is said, disposed of her two London houses and has purchased further property at Maidenhurst, where is located her river residence, Bray Lodge, one of the prettiest houses on the Thames reach.

TILLEY.—The play which Brandon Thomas and Ralph Caine, the son of the noted author, are writing for Vesta Tilley will be called *The Isle of Boy* and will be produced probably next season. In this piece Miss Tilley will be seen in skirts, defying the masculine attire of her former appearances.

HASWELL.—Percy Haswell made her first appearance as a stock star at Chase's Baltimore Theatre last week, appearing in *Twelfth Night*. She met with an enthusiastic reception.

THOMAS.—Augustus Thomas' drama *Arizona* has met with such success in the English provinces that Claude King and Violet Lindington have had no difficulty in booking the piece for an extended tour in the Spring.

PARKER.—Gilbert Parker, author of *The Right of Way*, passed through New York last week on his way to Canada.

HOWARD.—Mabel Howard, who has been supporting William Gillette in *Sherlock Holmes*, lies seriously ill at the apartments of her parents in Cincinnati. She was taken sick while playing in New York, but, in spite of her physical condition, continued to play until absolutely unable to appear. It is doubtful if she will recover sufficiently to act again this season.

WILLARD.—During his Philadelphia engagement, which will begin on Feb. 2, E. S. Willard will present an English version by Louis N. Parker of *The Chatelaine*, Alfred Japu's new play, now running in Paris.

GUNNING.—It is said that Louise Gunning, prima donna of the Mr. Pickwick company, has received a tempting offer to appear in London in one of George Edwardes' Gaely Theater musical comedies.

TEMPEST.—Marie Tempest, it is said, will appear

the. Napoleon is banished for a flight of his wife and child and, in spite of the efforts of the Emperor, he is destined to visit them at their home. With the aid of Madame, a kindly Jewish doctor, he is persuaded that the Emperor's wife and son are in no wise to blame. Their mutual love is now openly avowed by the Emperor, who has been won over by the beauty of the Countess. He sends her to him, a small token of his regard. The Emperor is shown in his wife's chamber, there to prove the innocence of the unfortunate Countess, carried away by the beauty of the Countess, who has much love to her. She strives to make him understand that he is drawn into cruelty by the计谋 of others. As he is in full uniform before the Emperor's eyes, it is understood that a death is in store for him. Blanchard sees the end of his ways and proves honest friend to the unhappy woman he has wronged. The sudden change of front is due to love at first sight for the fair Eva. Napoleon arrives upon the scene, and to him the Countess appeals for the release of her husband. The Emperor too, submits to her charms and attempts to win her by force. She repulses him. She ends a speech addressing him for his goodness and politeness by calling him a parvenu. The opposition brings him to his senses, and moved by the wife's pleading, augmented by those of Blanchard, he punishes the Count. Blanchard and Eva are betrothed and all ends well.

Mary Dunn filled the role of Madame completely. It is a character part of the kind in which she shines. As Napoleon he was less successful but this is due more to the unsatisfactory material with which he worked than to any defect in his acting. Franz Klemmer was attractive as the patriotic French father, von Bradov. John French played Baron Blanchard with much polish. Willy Frey gave an amusing sketch of the French soldier Jean Strappola. Bertha Rocco was a beautiful Countess Kroehm, but she scarcely filled the requirements of the part. Hedwig von Ostermann had little to do and did that little well.

Knickerbocker—Mr. Blue Beard.

A spectacular entertainment by J. Hickory Wood and Arthur Collins, with lyrics by J. Cheever Goodwin and music by Frederic Solomon. Presented Jan. 21.

Mr. Blue Beard

Don McAvoy	Ridge Foy
Flora Parker	Adrienne
John French	Bennie Martin
Adelaide	Norma Kopp
Herbert Cawthorne	Will Danforth
Thomas O'Brien	Robert Cawthorne
Bennie De Voe	Sam Reed
Frank Young	Grace Moore
Grace Moore	May Taylor
Will Palmer	Willie Howard
Hilda Howard	Eve Earle
Myrtle Arlington	Nellie Simmons
Harry Mardon	George A. Cameron
George W. Walsh	W. H. White
Chamlee Holland	Georgia Kelley

If money, beautiful scenery, lavish costuming and wonderful spectacular effects are a criterion, then Mr. Blue Beard is to be congratulated. If catchy music, bright lines and clever acting are also an essential of success, then he must be excused, for he certainly needs sympathy. It is like a soapbubble, this great, grand and wonderful spectacular entertainment—like a soapbubble upon which a sunbeam strikes. Its colors allure us, but when the bubble is burst (and it bursts long before the performance is over) there is nothing there but a dirty little drop of soapy water.

It appeals essentially to the eye. If a delegation of deaf mutes could witness it they would no doubt be pleased; but to one with an ordinary amount of gray matter and a natural and uncouth appetite it is like eating too much *petit feu gras* and drinking too much champagne.

The production is in three acts and a lot of scenes, while a list of those who are responsible for its being is too long to quote. However, the general effect that it gives one is that by the time the scenery and costumes had been bought there was nothing left with which to purchase even a limited amount of brains for the creation of the libretto. John J. McNally, of Boston, has revised the book of the piece. It is to be wondered why he took the trouble, for certainly it could have been no worse in the original. The jokes are merely old ones with new costumes or very forced puns, and the lines which many of the players speak with the glib ability of an auctioneer are sadly flat—so flat, in fact, that even the slightest ripple of merriment scarcely ever disturbed the tranquillity of the performance.

The music was in places pleasing, but as a rule it was decidedly commonplace. Above all, it was very, very loud, and some of the finales, in fact, closely resembled a subway explosion. At first one did not mind, but gradually one's ears became tired of the abuse and one felt a desire to request the orchestra and the immense chorus to make just a little less noise. To be sure, there were several pretty numbers. One of these was a double octette which bore so close a resemblance to the famous Floradora sextette that it was nearer a twin than a mere sister. The only difference was that four more people participated and the costuming was more showy. The music and words were almost identical. Another was "Melody Lane," while a third, "I'm as Good as I Ought to Be," rendered by Flora Parker, did not half the reception that it deserved, for it was really a good number.

The scenic displays were magnificent, and the ballets were all that could be desired—if one desires such things to such an extent—for the costumes were painfully scant, there was a lavish display of whisking limbs, and though each everyone must have had seven or eight changes it is doubtful if there was enough material in them all to make for each figure one serviceable article of apparel.

The dancing was excellent, however, the chorus dances being notably good, while Frateline Elsie Biering and her troupe of aerialists, on visible wires, hovered over the stage on several occasions and performed an air dance that was very effective.

Dan McAvoy was inconsistent, inane and tiresome as Blue Beard. In his imitations, however, a bit of vaudeville left over from his other days, he won some applause, and that was the only time that he rose above the decidedly commonplace. He was rather coarse, and imparted a touch of vulgarity to a very tedious part.

Eddie Foy, in a female part, was intermittently funny. At any rate he was not so noisy; yet he, too, resurrected much deceased business and availed himself of the venerable slap stick. On the whole, however, he was the best male member of the cast.

Herbert Cawthorne, too, did fairly well. He might have made more of several scenes that he had, but he got through a week part with little discredit. Thomas O'Brien, a former vaudeville favorite, in a small part contributed a little to the piece, although he was far better in his former vaudeville. As Mustapha, Will Danforth looked well but seemed too big for a small part.

One of the bright spots of the play was Flora Parker. She is a dainty little actress and read her lines well and without affectation. Her singing, even though she has not too good a voice, was pleasing and she looked her role and adhered to female attire throughout the piece—a very grateful contrast, for she, Eddie Foy, and six male impersonators of female characters were the only ones that did.

Norma Kopp, too, was excellent. Her singing was tuneful, her acting acceptable, and on several occasions she was warmly applauded. But there was so much scenery and so much chorus and so much dancing that she had little opportunity to show what she really could do. As was she, Adele Astaire, too, appeared in tights, taking the role of a man, which is as always ridiculous

but constantly perpetrated act. Miss Astaire has a splendid voice, but in Mr. Blue Beard she has no opportunity to use it save in a few very brief scenes that are quite impossible.

That dainty little graduate of Weber and Fields, Jessie Maghan, also was in many parts a part of the time. The other part she was in feminine dress, which is inconsistent but spectacular. However, one could forgive her this, for she is clever and dainty and trim, and can sing a little. At any rate, she is pleasing to the eye, and to the eye alone the place appeals.

In mentioning the leading people of the piece there is one who must not be forgotten. In fact,

she should come very near the head of the list, for simply by her own good work she has risen from the obscurity of a gigantic chorus, and she is—no one knows who. She is a young woman, slender and unformed, and appears in a choice of tough girls. By her action and cleverness she attracted the attention of the audience, and the applause was all for her. She alone was responsible for the many encores that the number received.

Manhattan—Ghosts.

At the Manhattan Theatre yesterday afternoon George Fawcett's special company, headed by Mary Shaw, began a series of four matinee performances of Henrik Ibsen's drama, *Ghosts*. The play was presented with Miss Shaw in the role of Mrs. Alving at Carnegie Lyceum several seasons ago, and at that time it was discussed at length in the columns of *This Mirror*. That public interest in the serious modern drama has increased greatly even in the short period since then was shown by the size of the various classes of society represented in the audience at the Manhattan. Ibsen is no longer reckoned a terrifying bogie of the stage. People have come to realize that his plays are not for the cultured few alone; and that one need not be a boffin to appreciate them. *Ghosts*—one of the most finished of his tragedies—held the audience of yesterday spell-bound. The occasion marked the awakening of a new and eager interest in Ibsen than has before been known in New York.

Upon witnessing *Ghosts* for the third or fourth time one is impressed far more than at first by the magnificent architecture of the play. It is so strongly, so superbly, built that its every wall and turret is absolutely unassimilable. Compared to the popular plays of the day, it stands like a noble castle beside a house of cards. It is magnificent. The plot moves onward with the certainty, the relentlessness, of a glacier. There is no escape from the doom that is foreshadowed in the opening act. The lightest word that is spoken reveals the steady movement forward of the tragic motive. To the thoughtful person the witnessing of a performance of *Ghosts* is as a lifetime of experience; and even the average playgoer of New York must feel, to a degree, an appreciation of the power, art and knowledge of the human heart and soul shown by the author.

Miss Shaw and her supporting company present the marvelous drama in a way that brings out its best dramatic qualities. Miss Shaw herself as Mrs. Alving is quite beyond all ordinary words of praise. It is impossible to fancy a greater Mrs. Alving. She touches the deepest, most stirring chords that the role may bring forth, and yet in her every word and action she is as natural as though she were in her own home. There is in her impersonation a splendid humanness that is rarely seen on the stage—a sincerity and feeling that baffle criticism because it seems more than art.

Frederick Lewis in the role of Oswald Alving gave a performance that differs somewhat from John Blair's and Courtney Shope's portrayals of the role. The differences, however, are more a matter of personality rather than of conception. Mr. Lewis was a trifle more dramatic than either of the others, and was he brought forward more prominently than any one of the minor species and incidents. His impersonation was, however, in excellent proportion and in the terrible scene at the climax he was superb.

Maurice Wilkinson acted Walter Manders very creditably. He has been well schooled in the serious modern drama, and he showed that training by his understanding of the role. In the outward show of the part he lacked something in repose, but, all in all, his impersonation was worthy of high commendation.

Charles A. Gav as Jacob Engstrom gave a capital character impersonation, though he was not thoroughly in the atmosphere of the play. His Engstrom was a trifle more English than Norwegian, yet he disclosed truly and impressively the spirit of the part.

Virginia Kline played the role of Regine Engstrom in an almost verbatim manner. It is a role that makes odd demands upon its actress, and one that offers many pitfalls. Miss Kline played it in quite the right key and with vivacity as well as intelligence.

The play was well mounted and the stage-management was excellent. The other three of the series of matinees will take place to-day (Tuesday) and on Thursday and Friday of this week.

New Star—The Road to Ruin.

The *Road to Ruin*, one of Theodore Kremer's typical melodramas, was presented by Sullivan, Harris and Woods at the New Star last week and was welcomed with every sign of popular approval by audience and critics.

Virginia Thornton gave a sincere and natural rendering of her role as Bertha Dean, Jack's neglected sweetheart. Lillian Jerome, as Mrs. Morton, Jack's mother, showed skill and judgment in her work. The Wanda Wheeler of Grace Wolvin was a meritorious effort. Thomas N. Heffron as Frank Kennedy, gambler, made a crafty and polished villain. The small part of Rudolph, the anarchist, confined in a Tomb cell, was made quite prominent by Henry Burge's cleverness. The music of Florence Gerald was also a successful bit of original work.

The comedy element of the play was mainly in the competent hands of Harry and Sadie Field, Harry Fields, as Eddie Cohen, who "wants to see New York," was very amusing, giving an interpretation full of shrewd and nonchalant humor, and with Sadie Fielding made a hit in their Tiddly-wink and musical specialties.

In the intermission after Act III the boxer, Jack Munroe, gave a four-round exhibition with the gloves to the intense delight of the gallery.

Third Avenue—A Thoroughbred Tramp.

In line with the other tramp plays of the season, Elmer Walters' company in *A Thoroughbred Tramp* opened a week's engagement at the Third Avenue Theatre yesterday afternoon to a very large house. John J. Swartwood, in the role of T. Rush Thompson, P. B., was just such a wanderer as one might meet on any of the park benches, except that he showed intelligence and humor. Lawrence Williams made an acceptable villain in the part of Frederick Lawrence. Bert L. King as Edward Temple, Harry Darlington as Judge Gilpin and Texas Bill, William Martin as Hop Li, Harry Hampton as Old Rocky, Ed Davenport as Jim Smith, Otto Owens as Broncho Charlie, and Sam Lewis as Bob were all good. Harry H. Franklin exhibited a happy German dialect and mannerisms in the role of Otto Hackmeyer. Maud Trux as Mabel Hathaway, Guy Carroll as Nellie Hathaway, and Blanchard Brand as Harriet Trenton, deserve commendation. Next week The James Boys in Missouri.

American—Secret Service.

A commendable production of *Secret Service* was the offering of the American Theatre Stock company last week. Maurice Freeman entered into the spirit of the character of Captain Thorne and in the telegraph scene his acting was especially good. Jeannine Rodgers was excellent as Edith Varney. Robert Cummings as Benton Arrelford, Thomas as Jonas, Laura Almonino as Caroline Mittford, Lillian Baye as Mrs. Varney, Bert Lytell as the First Operator, Frank E. Jamison as General Randolph, Julia Blane as Martha, and Helen Campbell as Miss Kittridge were acceptable. The others in the cast were

equal to requirements. The play was well put on and very large audiences took advantage of the opportunity of seeing the drama. This week, For Home and Honor is the attraction.

HARRY HILL—His Wife's Father.

The Harry H. Donnelly Stock company at the Murray Hill Theatre present this week Martin Morris' comedy, *His Wife's Father*. The audience was large yesterday afternoon, and was, as usual, generous in the shower of applause. The presentation deserved all the appreciation that it received.

Henry V. Donnelly himself appeared as Buchanan Billings and acted with his customary and delightful gusto. Others in the cast who did especially good work were Franklin Roberts as Frank Hamilton, N. Sheldon Lewis as Maynard Langdon, Robert McVade, Jr., as Mathew, Laura Hope Crews as Nellie Hamilton, and Isabel O'Malley as Mrs. Canary.

Next week, *Moths*.

At Other Playhouses.

GARDEN.—E. H. Sothern emerges from Hamlet into his former success, *If I Were King*, in which Cecilia Loftus will also appear. Mr. Sothern will give a special matinee of Hamlet to-day (Tuesday).

RELACION.—Blanche Bates still continues in *The Darling of the Gods*.

MARYLAND.—The enthusiasm over Mrs. Flake in *Mary of Magdala* still continues to such an extent that it has been found necessary to give two special Wednesday matinees, which will take place on Jan. 25 and Feb. 4. Mrs. Flake's engagement at the Maryland will continue only until March, owing to engagements in other cities that will prevent the run of *Mary of Magdala* continuing throughout the season, as it well could do.

BROADWAY.—The Silver Slipper runs on.

WALLACE'S.—Add's *The Sultan of Sulu* draws large audiences steadily.

CARRINGTON.—Julia Marlowe still plays *The Cavalier*, and at matinee performances *The Little Princess* pleases.

FOURTHREATH STREETER.—Jim Bludso, with Robert Hilliard, is the attraction.

SATOR.—Clara Bloodgood, with *The Girl with the Green Eyes*, enters upon her sixth week.

CASINO.—A Chinese Honeymoon is a fixture.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—A revival of *Floradora* begins this week.

DALY'S.—*The Billionaire*, with Jerome Sykes, begins its fifth week.

ROYAL.—*The Bird in the Cage* still continues to large houses.

EPICURE.—Charles Richman and Margaret Anglin are playing in *The Unforeseen*.

MARION SQUARE.—Elizabeth Tyres in *Gretna Green* begins her last week here. The production of *The Earl of Pawtucket* will take place on Monday.

NEW YORK.—When Johnny Comes Marching Home nears the close of its engagement.

METROPOLIS.—*Lost River* is the attraction for the week.

WATER LILIES.—*The Price of Honor* will fill the week at this house and will be noted further next week.

NEW STAR.—A new melodrama, *Why Women Sin*, which is the current attraction, will be reviewed next week.

THE LIGHTER FOREIGN ARRANGEMENTS.

After spending seven weeks in London and Paris George C. Tyler, of Liebler and Company, has returned and has brought with him much news of interest to theatregoers. Most important, perhaps, of the contracts is an agreement with Henry Batalie, who dramatized Tolstoy's *Resurrection*. The young playwright is to furnish a drama based upon the life of Louise La Valliere, the young mistress of Louis XIV.

Small arrangements were made for Vesta Tilley's starring tour next season in *The Isle of Boy*, and contracts were also signed with MM. Guggenheim and Faure for a piece which will be produced in Paris in April and which Kyrie Belle will star next season. The piece treats of the period of the restoration and is centered about an officer of the Old Guard. This piece, we will also Batalie's play, will be translated by Louis L. Parker, the adapter of *La Maitresse*. Madame Reljane will not come to this country next season, as the director of the *Theatre Vaudeville* insist that she remain there during the entire season.

In addition to these arrangements Mr. Tyler states that he has contracted with the very prominent playwrights whose names he cannot yet divulge to furnish Liebler and Company with plays that will be produced by them next season.

* * * * * "THE THEATRE" WINS.

A Paris court has rendered judgment in the suit brought by the publishers of the French magazine, *Le Théâtre*, against *The Theatre*, of New York, in favor of the American publication, its French contemporary having failed to obtain satisfaction on any of the charges contained in the complaint. The suit was brought some months ago by Manuel Jovent and Company, publishers of *Le Théâtre*, charging that *The Theatre* was a wilful imitation of the French periodical, and that its publication here injured the sale of the French periodical. Meyer Brothers and Company, publishers of *The Theatre*, denied that their publication had ever been misrepresented by them as being an American edition of *Le Théâtre*. They pointed out that *The Theatre* is printed in English and deals almost exclusively with the American stage, whereas *Le Théâtre* is printed in French and deals almost exclusively with the French stage.

Fisher's latest enterprises.

John C. Fisher, half owner of *Floradora* and owner of the American rights of *The Silver Slipper*, has just completed the arrangements for the production of one new musical comedy in this country next season and has obtained the option on another. The first is as yet unfinished and has not been named, but is now being written by Owen Hall and Sidney Jones, and Mr. Fisher has obtained the American and Canadian rights for its forthcoming production here. The other comedy is *A Princess of Kensington*, which was produced at the Savoy Theatre, London, on Jan. 22. Basil Hood and Edward German are the authors of the new piece.

ELEONORA DUKE'S FAREWELL.

Eleonora Duke and her Italian company gave their last performance of their visit in America this season at the Metropolitan Opera House last Tuesday afternoon. The programme consisted of acts of *Magda*, *The Dead City*, and *The Wife of Claude*. The audience was comparatively small, proving again that New York playgoers have no sympathy with Signora Duke's present choice of plays, much as they esteem her as an actress. On Thursday Signora Duke and her manager, Joseph Smith, sailed for Europe on *La Savoie*. Her

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